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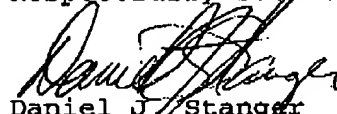
REMARKS

Claims 4-5 and 13-15 have been amended to use double-bracket indicators for deleted words of five or fewer characters. The Applicants note that the usage of double brackets is optional, at the Applicants' discretion, for deleted terms of five or fewer characters. However, to advance the examination of the application, the Applicants have complied with Request in the Notice.

Claims 13-15 were also amended to correct an editing error in the preamble.

To avoid any further needs for formal Notices of Non-compliance, the Applicants' representative requests a telephone call at the number below if this paper is deemed non-compliant for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,



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